IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.

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Applicant

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.116(b)

Sir:

In response to the Office Action (made FINAL) mailed April 10, 2007 for the above application, the period of response to which is set to expire on July 10, 2007, please amend the above application as indicated below. Applicants submit there are good and sufficient reasons, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.116(b), for entering these amendments. In particular, in view of the following remarks, it is believed these amendments will put the above application in better condition for allowance or appeal.

Applicants' respectfully request prompt issuance of a Notice of Allowance or an Advisory Action by the Examiner, as the present amendment is being timely filed on or before two months of the mailing date of the Final Action (*i.e.*, on or before June 10, 2007). See MPEP 706.07(f). Applicants' representative, Eric W. Guttag, also respectfully requests a telephone conference in the event the Examiner has any questions, comments or suggestions that would place any pending claim not in allowable form in better condition for allowance. Applicant's representative may be reached directly at 513-856-7272.

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